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SUBJECT: CTB NEGOTIATIONS: INTERNATIONAL SEISMIC DATA
EXCHANGE

CTB NO.159

1. A SUBGROUP OF THE POLITICAL WORKING GROUP MET TWICE
DURING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27 TO CDNTINUE CONSIDERATION
OF THE US AND SOVIET ILLUSTRATIVE ANNEXES ON THE INTER-
NATIONAL EXCHANGE OF SEISMIC DATA.

2. USDEL PRESSED SOVIETS ON DESIRABILITY OF LEAVING OPEN,
FOR DETERMINATION LATER BY THE CCD OR THE IMPLEMENTATION
BODY, THE LOCATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL DATA CENTERS OTHER
THAN THOSE IN WASHINGTON AND MOSCOW, MAINTAINING THAT
THERE WAS LITTLE TECHNICAL JUSTIFICATION FOR THE SOVIET
PROPOSAL THAT THE ANNEX SPECIFY A THIRD DATA CENTER IN
MELBOURNE. AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF ISSUE, SOVIETS
CONCEDED THAT THEIR CHIEF INTEREST WAS IN ENSURING THAT
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A CENTER WOULD BE LOCATED IN MOSCOW AND THAT THEY WOULD
NO LONGER INSIST ON DESIGNATING A THIRD STATION IN
MELBOURNE.

3. US DEL ALSO REITERATED ITS VIEW ON THE DESIRABILITY
OF ESTABLISHING CERTAIN MINIMAL OPERATIONAL STANDARDS
FOR THE PARTICIPATING SEISMIC STATIONS, WHILE MAINTAINING

THAT SUCH STANDARDS SHOULD NOT BE SET SO HIGH AS TO SERVE AS A BARRIER TO PARTICIPATION BY THE LESS TECHNICALLY ADVANCED TREATY PARTIES. SOV DEL RECOGNIZED THE NEED TO PROVIDE FOR A MINIMUM LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE AT THE STATIONS, AND FELT THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO FIND FORMULATIONS EMBODYING THAT CONCEPT WITHOUT DENYING PARTIES THE ABILITY TO JOIN THE SYSTEM.

4. SOVIET DEL ELABORATED ON THE PROVISION IN THE SOVIET DRAFT THAT INTERNATIONAL DATA CENTERS SHOULD BE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE IN WHICH THEY ARE LOCATED. THEY SAID THE HOST PARTY SHOULD BE LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CENTER ON ITS TERRITORY, BUT THAT THE CENTER COULD OPERATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CERTAIN GUIDELINES (E.G. REGARDING TYPES OF ANALYSIS THAT WOULD BE PERFORMED) THAT WOULD BE AGREED UPON IN THE APPROPRIATE IMPLEMENTATION BODY. ASKED WHETHER THE SOVIET CONCEPT ENVISAGED THE PRESENCE OF SCIENTISTS OF DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES AT THE DATA CENTERS, SOV DEL INDICATED THAT THEIR APPROACH DID NOT EXCLUDE THIS POSSIBILITY. FOREIGN SCIENTISTS COULD WORK AT THE DATA CENTERS AT THE INVITATION OF THE HOST PARTY.

5. SUBGROUP WILL NOW BEGIN THE PROCESS OF RECONCILING THE LANGUAGE DIFFERENCES IN THE US AND SOVIET DRAFTS. WE WOULD EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER A COMPOSITE
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INFORMAL WORKING TEXT IN THE COURSE OF NEXT WEEK, ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF ISSUES (AT A MINIMUM, THE QUESTION OF THE NAME OF THE APPROPRIATE IMPLEMENTATION BODY, AND PERHAPS A FEW OTHERS) WILL HAVE TO BE HANDLED THROUGH BRACKETED ALTERNATIVE FORMULATIONS. WARNKE

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